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1233: SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Regional Centres of National School of Drama at various places in the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the present position of National School of Drama;
(c) the details of locations identified for setting up of the same; and
(d) the time by which the above centres are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM AND
MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION
(Dr. MAHESH SHARMA)

ANSWER

(a)to(d) There is no proposal of National School of Drama (NSD) pending with the Govt. of India for setting up of Regional Centres of NSD at various places in the country except that a letter in this regard has been received from Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh. Being an autonomous institution, NSD is fully competent to decide about setting up its Regional Centres at various places in the country. On the basis of the recommendations made by the Broad Based Committee for opening up of 5 regional centres across the country, NSD Society proposed to establish 5 regional centres one each at Kolkata, Mumbai/Goa, J&K North-East beside upgrading the existing Regional Resource Centre (RRC), Bengaluru to a full-fledged regional centre. These regional centres were to be established in consultation with the concerned State Governments, who were required to provide accommodation for the purpose. Only the Government of Karnataka has allotted land for the purpose at Bengaluru. NSD has started one year teaching training programme in the Bengaluru Chapter commencing from academic session 2014-15. In addition, under consolidation of Out-reach Programme in the North-East Region, NSD has opened its Centres in Sikkim and Tripura. The Government of Maharashtra has also agreed in principle to provide accommodation and a plot of land for opening of the NSD at Mumbai.
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